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SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL LETTER TO AUSTRALIAN PRIME MINISTER

1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT,
DATED JULY 20 TO PRIME MINISTER FRASER. PLEASE PASS TEXT
TO ADDRESSEE. ORIGINAL BEING POUCHED ATTENTION ROBERT
SIMPSON. QUOTE:

2. DEAR MALCOLM: IN RESPONSE TO YOUR LETTER OF JULY 11,
I CONVEYED TO AMBASSADOR ROBERT STRAUSS YOUR INVITATION
AND HE ENTHUSIASTICALLY WELCOMES THE OPPORTUNITY TO VISIT
AUSTRALIA.

3. HE FACES A HEAVY SCHEDULE OF TRAVEL BETWEEN NOW AND THE
END OF AUGUST, AND A TRIP TO AUSTRALIA BEFORE YOUR TRADE
TEAM LEAVES FOR EUROPE WILL BE VERY DIFFICULT. HOWEVER,
HE HOPES TO VISIT AUSTRALIA IN EARLY SEPTEMBER. I HAVE
ASKED BOB TO COMMUNICATE DIRECTLY WITH YOUR GOVERNMENT
ONCE HE HAS SETTLED ON POSSIBLE DATES. I KNOW HE IS
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LOOKING FORWARD TO PRODUCTIVE DISCUSSIONS ABOUT WORLD
TRADE PROBLEMS AND SEVERAL BILATERAL ISSUES.

4. I WANT TO THANK YOU AS WELL FOR FORWARDING TO ME
FOREIGN MINISTER PEACOCK'S REPORT OF HIS CONVERSATIONS

WITH MINISTER DE GUIRINGAUD. I AM PLEASED TO BE ABLE

TO REPORT TO YOU THAT WE ARE MAKING PROGRESS TOWARD
RESOLVING THE CONCERNS OF THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT AND
PAVING THE WAY FOR FRENCH COOPERATION IN THE INTERNATIONAL
FUEL CYCLE EVALUATION PROGRAM.

5. I AM DELIGHTED THAT AUSTRALIA WILL BE PARTICIPATING
IN THE EVALUATION, AND I ANTICIPATE CLOSE AND CONTINUING
COOPERATION BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES IN THE YEARS
AHEAD -- IN THIS FIELD, AS IN OTHERS. IN THIS REGARD,
THE UNITED STATES CERTAINLY WOULD BE PREPARED TO
SUPPORT AUSTRALIA'S MEMBERSHIP IN THE LONDON SUPPLIERS
GROUP AT THE APPROPRIATE TIME.

6. LET US CONTINUE TO KEEP IN CLOSE TOUCH. SINCERELY,
JIMMY CARTER END QUOTE

7. WE DO NOT PLAN TO RELEASE, BUT HAVE NO OBJECTION
IF RECIPIENT WISHES TO DO SO. VANCE

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